Date: June 17, 2003

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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

The Billings Interagency Fire Center will host an open house to introduce new personnel and familiarize members of the media with operations at the facility, which includes the dispatch center, base operations center, air tanker base, and fire cache. Staff will be on hand for interviews and to provide a short tour. In addition, a revised media guide outlining procedures for contacting agencies for wildland fire information will be available.

The Bureau of Land Management, Forest Service, Montana Department of Natural Resources, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and National Park Service are all partners in the Fire Center.

What: Media Open House

Where: Billings Interagency Fire Center

1299 Rimtop Drive

When: June 24, 2003

10 a.m. to noon

For more information, please contact Mary Apple at 896-5258 or Jean Claybo at 896-2943.